

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-17. (canceled)

18. **(currently amended)** A fence support comprising a sleeve for fitting over a support member, said sleeve comprising at least one web, said web comprising at least one incision [[means]] to support lengths of material, ~~said means comprising an incision~~ said sleeve further comprising three internal equidistant projections for frictional connecting of said sleeve and said support member.

19-20. (canceled)

21. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 18, wherein said support member comprises a rod.

22. (canceled).

23. **(currently amended)** A fence support in accordance with Claim [[22]] 18, wherein said projections are ~~at least one projection~~ is deformable.

24. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 18, wherein said sleeve is substantially composed of extruded material.

25. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 18, wherein said sleeve is substantially composed of molded material.

26. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 18, further comprising a cap covering said sleeve and said support member.

27. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 26, wherein said cap is waterproof.

28. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 26, wherein said cap is lockable.

29. **(currently amended)** A fence support comprising a sleeve for fitting over a support member, said sleeve comprising at least two webs, said webs each comprising at least one supporting means for supporting to support lengths of material, said sleeve further comprising three internal equidistant projections for frictional connecting of said sleeve and said support member.

30. **(currently amended)** A fence support in accordance with Claim 29, wherein said supporting means to support lengths of material each comprises a slot.

31. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 30, wherein said slots are disposed at opposing angles relative to each other.

32. **(currently amended)** A fence support in accordance with Claim 18, wherein said sleeve further comprises [[a]] means for receiving a promotional display.

33-49. (canceled)

50. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 18, wherein said sleeve for fitting over said support member is composed of an insulating material.

51. (canceled)

52. **(currently amended)** A structure for an electrified fence, said structure comprising which comprises

a sleeve that receives and substantially surrounds the entire exposed surface of a post which extends vertically from the underlying surface at the site of the electrified fence, the interior of said sleeve comprising three internal projections ~~friction means~~ for frictionally and forcibly receiving the post, each projection being equidistant from the other two projections, said sleeve further including an exterior web which is disposed parallel to the post with said sleeve installed over said post, said web having an opening for receiving an electrified wire of the fence, said sleeve being composed of dielectric material at least where ~~[[it]]~~ said sleeve receives the electrified wire; ~~[[,]]~~ and

a cap ~~which is~~ separate from said sleeve and covering the top of the post with said sleeve is installed over the post.

53. (previously presented) A fence support in accordance with Claim 18, wherein said sleeve is sufficiently long for fitting over substantially the entire exposed surface of said support member.